



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5695

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
(HS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT
OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (m) of section 46b-129 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2005*):

4 (m) The commissioner, a parent or the child's attorney may file a
5 motion to revoke a commitment, and, upon finding that cause for
6 commitment no longer exists, and that such revocation is in the best
7 interest and welfare of such child or youth, the court may revoke the
8 commitment of any child or youth. In the event the commissioner files
9 a motion seeking to revoke the commitment of a youth, based in whole
10 or in part on the youth's refusal to accept services offered by the
11 department, the court may revoke the commitment of such youth upon
12 finding that (1) the causes for the commitment no longer exist, (2) such
13 revocation is in the best interests of the youth, and (3) that the youth,
14 who refuses to accept services from the department, has been assessed
15 to be self-sufficient by the department or is receiving services at a level
16 that will promote the health and well-being of such youth. No such

17 motion shall be filed more often than once every six months.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2005	46b-129(m)
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Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that in instances where the Department of Children and Families seeks revocation of commitment of a youth, who refuses services from the department, such revocation is not granted unless the court makes a finding that (1) the causes for the commitment no longer exist, (2) such revocation is in the best interests of the youth and (3) that the youth, who refuses to accept services from the department, has been assessed as to be self-sufficient by the department or is receiving services at a level that will promote the health and well-being of such youth.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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